GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH <u>ABSTRACT</u>

Rural Development Department – access to high end Quality Education at +2 level for the meritorious poor candidates belonging to SC / ST and Other Backward communities – Comprehensive Procedure prescribed – orders – issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (RD. I) DEPARTMENT

G.O. Ms. No.447 Dated: 12.11.2008.

ORDER:

With a view to provide quality education at +2 level to the poor – as an effective poverty alleviation strategy, Society for Elimination of Rural Poverty (SERP), Department of Rural Development has supported the Zilla Samakhyas in 2008-09 to provide equitable opportunity to the meritorious poor candidates belonging to SC/ST & other backward Communities, by enrolling them in private / corporate Junior Colleges in the State which are widely known for their consistent success rate both in Intermediate public examinations and in the admission tests for Engineering / Medical / other Professional Courses through IIT-JEE / AIEEE / EAMCET.

2. During 2008-09, under the scheme, 8062 candidates have been selected through District level counselling and allotted to 35 Private /Corporate Junior Colleges across the State, identified by the District level Committee headed by the District Collectors concerned. Out of the 8062 candidates, 42% are girls and 58% are boys. The social category wise allocation is as follows:

Scheduled Caste: 38%, Scheduled Tribe: 35%, Backward Classes: 19%, Minorities: 1% & Open Category: 7%

- 3. The negotiated fees in various colleges across the State ranges between Rs.15,000- 35,000/- per annum per candidate. In addition to the fee an amount of Rs.3000/- per annum has been provided to each candidate to meet the cost of books, study material and other sundry expense.
- 4. While the gross total budget for the first year has been calculated at Rs.31.90 Crores, the net commitment is shown as Rs.23.99 Crores, excluding the Post Metric Scholarship amounts for SC/ST/BC candidates which would be reimbursed to the C.E.O., SERP by the colleges concerned and the reimbursement is estimated to be at Rs.7.91 Crores.
- 5. Chief Executive Officer, SERP has reported to Government that, the required budget in the first year was met from the sources as detailed below:
 - a. From the Rajiv Yuva Shakthi (RYS) budget for 18 districts which are covered under RIADP of GOI.
 - b. From APRPRP funds for the remaining (5) districts namely: Hyderabad, Ranga Reddy, Chittoor, Krishna & West Godavari.
- 6. The Chief Executive Officer, SERP has requested the Government to approve the scheme introduced in 2008-09 and ratify his action in implementing the scheme.
- 7. After careful examination, the Government hereby approve the scheme and ratify the action of Chief Executive Officer, SERP for the implementation of the scheme and accord permission to meet the 2nd year expenditure by effectively utilising the S.C.P & T.S.P budget components of various departments to the extent of expenditure incurred on S.C & S.T candidates and to meet the budget for candidates other than SC & ST, from Rajiv Yuva Sakthi (RYS) scheme budget of 2009-10.
- 8. The funds to the colleges will be routed through the Zilla Samakhyas concerned.

- 9. The District Collector concerned will be the Chairman of the District Level Committee and PD, DRDA, will be the Member Convenor for the committee. They will coordinate with the District Level officers of the welfare Departments concerned and closely monitor the academic progress and well being of the students admitted.
- 10. This G.O. is available on the Internet and can be accessed at the address http://www.rd.ap.gov.in and http://www.goir.ap.gov.in.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

K.RAJU, PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (RD)

То

The Chief Executive Officer, SERP, A.P., Hyderabad.

The Commissioner, Rural Development, A.P., Hyderabad.

All the District Collectors in the State through the CEO, SERP, AP., Hyderabad.

All the Project Directors, DRDA through the CEO, SERP, A.P., Hyderabad.

Copy to: The Commissioner, AMR-APARD, Rajendranagar, Hyderabad.

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